and told Mr Dowy to send you a certifict to Hillsbouro as you directed me to do I killed the balance of our fating hogs the [y] onley waid 1742 lbs I put them in a close pen but tha did not Do enney beter then when out One did with quinsy one gut down wit kitney worms in day or too after [you] left and is don yet

the balance of the Worke is in as good order as coud be expected cous & Mules Hogs etc

The Moody paster Wheat looks well & the my wheat that I soad loks well the last soing of Mr Wamacks is very thin on the ground and dos not lok so well The too steers is in very good order I dont think it nessary to feed them march longer be four shoud be killed

I sent the girl Jane to the lower place the 10 day of last monthe. the Wingate negro reported him self here newyersday and I give order for not to bring one dropt licer a but the plantation if he did I lash him

nothing mour at present Yours etc

From John W. Graham8

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Chapel Hill, Feb. 2d, 1858.

As I am at leisure this evening, I thought I would let you know how I am getting along in my new occupation.

I find the Freshmen easy to manage, the class being a very orderly one, though not remarkable in point of talent. Allen⁹ from

⁸John Washington Graham (1838-1936), the second of ten children born to William A. and Susan Washington Graham, was an 1857 graduate of the University of North Carolina. At the time of this letter he had just become a tutor at his alma mater. During the same period, he read law with Samuel Field Phillips and William Horn Battle. He served the Confederacy with distinction, achieving the rank of major in the Fifty-sixth North Carolina Regiment. After the Civil War, John Washington Graham was an opponent of Negro suffrage and a leading Conservative. His public service included membership in the Constitutional Convention of 1868; state senator from Orange County in the 1868, 1870 1872, 1876, 1901, and 1911 sessions; trustee of the sinking fund of the North Carolina Railroad, 1877-1879; and University of North Carolina trustee, 1887-1928. "John Washington Graham," Van Noppen Papers; News and Observer (Raleigh), March 25, 1928; files of the Cornelia Phillips Spencer Alumni Directory Project, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, hereinafter cited as Spencer Alumni Project.

⁹ Thomas Turner Allen (1841-1862), of Bertie County, graduated from the university in 1861. During the Civil War, he served as a private in the Warren